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Re: New U.S. Patent Application

Title: NEW MUTATIONAL PROFILES IN HIV-1 PROTEASE
AND REVERSE TRANSCRIPTASE CORRELATED WITH

PHENOTYPIC DRUG RESISTANCE

Inventors: Kurt HERTOGS, Brendan LARDER, and Rudi PAUWELS

Sir:

We enclose the following papers for filing in the United States Patent and Trademark Office in connection with the above patent application.

- 1. Application 56 pages, including eight independent claims and 30 claims total.
- 2. Drawings Three sheets of formal drawings (Figures 1-3).
- 3. Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- 4. A check for \$1,260 representing a \$690 filing fee and \$570 for additional claims.

Applicant claims the right to priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) based on Provisional Patent Application No. 60/136,743 filed May 28, 1999.

Please accord this application a serial number and filing date and record and return the Assignment to the undersigned.

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The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional filing fees due and any other fees due under 37 C.F.R. § 1.16 or § 1.17 during the pendency of this application to our Deposit Account No. 06-0916.

Respectfully submitted,

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